

Top Syrian officers visiting Cairo — trips not announced

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Despite the ostensibly strained relations between Syria and Egypt, Syrian military officers have recently been making frequent visits to Cairo. The purpose of the visits is not announced — visits to Cairo. However, reliable sources in the Jerusalem Post that they are initiated by Egypt under the pretext of the need to revive military coordination between the two countries "toward the next phase" of the Arab conflict with Israel. It appears that it is within this context that Egyptian President

Sadat is seeking also to revive his cooperation with Saudi Arabia which he plans to visit next week. It is to be noted that the Syrian military visits to Cairo were taking place against the background of a renewed Egyptian war-mongering, especially by Minister of War, Lt-Gen. Mohammed Abdul-Ghani Gamaasy who has been recently urging Arab vigilance while repeatedly stressing that the war with Israel "is not over."

Nevertheless, military talks between Egyptians and Syrians have paradoxically often involved Syria's chief negotiator in the Golan Heights disengagement with Israel, Brig-Gen. Adnan Tayyara. It was not clear whether the latter's participation in recent Cairo talks was linked to current probes for possible future negotiation of another disengagement on the Golan Heights.

Seasoned observers yesterday said that the U.S. was concentrating the efforts now on bringing about Israeli negotiations with Syria as well as with Jordan, rather than with the latter country alone. These observers said that the Americans would like to see some progress achieved on the Golan Heights before the mandate of the UN peace-keeping forces expires there at the end of May.

The sources said that President Ford was anxious to have concrete progress made prior to his forthcoming spring tour of the Middle East.

While reportedly awaiting Israeli proposals in the wake of President Rabin's visit to Washington, the Americans expect Jordan's King Hussein to go to the U.S. next month carrying his own as well as Syria's ideas for future political moves.

WAR TALK BY FAHMY IN CAIRO

Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy said yesterday Egypt could bear the burden of a war economy much longer and would be ready to liberate Sinai militarily if current peace efforts failed. "We will not allow the state of no war, no peace to continue forever... our economy cannot afford the mobilization burden for a long period," said in an interview with Angel Television.

Fahmy reiterated Egypt's insistence on the PLO's participation at Geneva on an equal basis as other parties "because an overall settlement will be negotiated and there will be no place for step-by-step solutions there."

Meanwhile, Fahmy met separately yesterday with Soviet and American ambassadors here to discuss steps for resuming the conference, which is co-chaired by Russia and the United States. Egypt is seeking its convention before the end of June.

Two soldiers die in army jail

BEKELON. — Two soldiers who were being detained in an army jail in the north were found dead in their cells 12 days ago, it was said from the families yesterday. Military authorities have not issued a statement on the deaths, but it is believed that they committed suicide. They were members of the Ashkelon, and the Ashkelon of Yerubam.

Mr. and Mrs. Tsirker told him that they had received a letter from the authorities saying that their son Menahem was found dead on January 29 and that the officer of his unit would give them the causes of his death personally. However, by yesterday afternoon they had not received any further details and they were considering applying to the court to have the body exhumed so that an autopsy could be carried out. They said that members of the forces had refused them permission to inspect the body at the funeral parlour in Ashkelon.

Menahem, they said, was sentenced to 11 months imprisonment for desertion and was due to be released in two months. In a letter sent to his friend he had said he wanted to get married as soon as he completed his sentence.

The Army Spokesman told him that a judge has been appointed to inquire into the death of the two soldiers and that his findings would be published within a few days.

The parents of Menahem Tsirker, who migrated with their children from Ashkelon six years ago, have asked the Army Ombudsman, Aluf (Res) Shmuel Laskov, to investigate.

Delivery system for Phantoms

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — Israel will equip Phantom fighters with a new aerial weapon-delivery system, "Aviation Week" reported yesterday. It said that Israel has been

planning this operation since before the 1973 Yom Kippur War. Israeli proposals for the new system will be sent to several companies, including Singer Kierulff, Litton Industries and Lear Siegler, "Aviation Week" said.

These remarks came in a "Daily News" editorial commenting on Smith's weekend statement that an end to white minority rule in Rhodesia would inevitably lead to civil war.

Three nations probing payoffs by Lockheed to promote sales

LONDON. — Three countries separated by thousands of miles have started major inquiries into allegations of payoffs to officials by America's Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.

Charges of bribery — in one case naming Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands — were under investigation in Holland, Japan and Colombia. The payoffs were said to have been made to promote Lockheed sales around the world.

The scandal could affect the forthcoming general elections for the lower house of the Diet (Parliament). Miki and his supporters favour an early election — probably late in April — following passage of the 1976 budget by around the end of March. But the scandal and the need to repair the image of the Conservative ruling party — already under pressure from the Socialists and Communists — may force postponement until late October or November.

The Dutch Cabinet held a special session yesterday in The Hague to set up an unprecedented independent commission of inquiry into the allegations that Lockheed gave Prince Bernhard \$1.1m. The inquiry and the allegations, denied by the 64-year-old Prince, were likely to stir a major political controversy in Holland.

Prime Minister Joop den Uyl convened the Cabinet after telling the nation that the Government had concluded that Prince Bernhard was the high Dutch official mentioned by Lockheed President A.C. Kottchian in testimony to a U.S. Senate subcommittee in Washington last Friday.

One senior Dutch official said that if Prince Bernhard did receive the alleged payments, this would have drastic repercussions for the monarchy and could lead to the abdication of his wife, Queen Juliana, 66, in favour of Crown Princess Beatrix, 38.

Den Uyl emphasised that holding the inquiry, which will probably last about six weeks, did not mean that the Prince had done anything reprehensible. The Prince, Inspector-General of the Dutch armed forces, has welcomed the inquiry.

The proposed members of the independent commission — expected to comprise three high-ranking legal officials or elder statesmen — were being asked yesterday to give their consent to serving on it.

In Tokyo, leaders of the Japanese Government and ruling Liberal-Democratic Party decided yesterday to set up a parliamentary committee to take testimony from eight persons allegedly involved in the scandal. Prime Minister Takeo Miki told party leaders that the truth must be uncovered for the honour of the Government and that anyone found to have violated the law would be duly punished, a Government spokesman said.

One senior Dutch official said that

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Prime Minister Rabin and Defence Minister Peres at yesterday's Knesset session. (Rahamim Israeli)

Light snow falls in Jerusalem area

Jerusalem Post Staff
Snow flurries interspersed with sleet began falling about 11 p.m. yesterday in the Jerusalem area, picking up where the rain had left off. Just a few hours earlier the weatherman had issued snow warnings for the hilly areas.

The snow is expected to continue today, and temperatures — which dropped by an average of five degrees yesterday — are expected to be still lower today.

Maximum temperatures forecast for today: Jerusalem 5; Tel Aviv 12; Haifa 12; Eilat 17.

The current stormy weather is due to a front of cold air moving this way from Greece and Turkey, the weatherman said.

He predicted snow flurries in Jerusalem, Hebron and Galilee. In other parts of the country, rain and strong wind will continue as far south as Beer Sheva.

Despite yesterday's downpour, farmers in the southern grain belt are afraid their field crops are dying. Rainfall in the Negev was hardly significant yesterday, and the seasonal totals so far are way behind the average figures. At Beer Sheva, near Beer Sheva, only 27mm. of rain has fallen this winter, compared to an annual average of 74mm. Ashdod has received 92mm. out of an annual average of 44mm. and Gaza — 132mm. (271mm. average).

Yesterday's rainfall figures: Jerusalem 29mm.; Tel Aviv 4; Haifa

11; Beer Sheva 0.2.

Farmers in the South estimate their damage from this year's drought at IL200m. The director of the Negev district in the Jewish Agency, David Nahmias, said this year's yields will be 25-30 per cent below the projected figures.

The farmers say they will wait another 10 days before they begin harvesting their crops. And pray for rain.

Ford reported 'outmanoeuvred' on Israel aid

NEW YORK. — Syndicated columnist Rowland Evans and Robert Novak claimed in the "New York Post" yesterday that President Ford was manoeuvred by pro-Israel Senators into reversing his "careful strategy to keep negotiating pressure on Israel."

According to the writers, this was done by Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D., Minn.), backed by Sen. Clifford Case (R., N.J.) and other pro-Israel legislators, who pressed Secretary of State Kissinger to agree to continue "all U.S. military aid abroad at the current level during the transitional quarter," the period that covers the three months between the end of the

Knesset gives Rabin vote of confidence

Shopping list issue only of 'secondary nature,' PM says

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday gave Prime Minister Rabin and his Coalition a clear vote of confidence.

By 63 votes to 34, with 12 abstentions, the House struck down a Likud motion calling on Rabin to resign forthwith. The Likud argued that the remarks he made to the Israeli press corps in Washington, under the pseudonym of a "senior source" about weapons shopping lists, proved Rabin unfit to govern.

The present Coalition has never yet won such a comfortable margin in a vote of confidence, or any other crucial parliamentary test. This was partly because the Likud opposition bloc got no backing at all from any other opposition faction. It was also because the Alignment and its Coalition allies decided that, whatever members' personal views might be on the controversial "senior source" affair, now was the time to rally behind the Prime Minister.

Rabin said in his reply to the Likud no-confidence motion that the opposition was trying to make a marginal issue into a central issue, and initiating a secondary matter out of all proportion.

The only maverick in the Coalition was Mordechai Ben-Porat of Labour's ex-Rafi wing, who stayed away from the plenum and from the faction caucus earlier, although he was in the building most of the day. Moshe Dayan, his former leader, voted for the Government in the first of three vote counts held, but had to leave the building for the second and third counts.

Other ex-Rafi members, who feel Defence Minister Shimon Peres was unfairly treated in the affair, like David Coren and Mathilda Ghez, too the party line dutifully like Dayan. Independent Benjamin Hareli voted with the Coalition.

Abstaining were the Aguda Eloc, the New Communists, the CRM, Israel Socialists (IS) and Moked.

When Chief of Staff R/A Mordechai Gur walked into the VIP gallery, one parliamentary wit commented that perhaps he, too, sought a vote of confidence over the weapons shopping list issue.

In his reply, Rabin praised the U.S. for thwarting the move by the PLO, Syria and the Soviet Union, to make the Security Council the negotiating forum for the Middle East dispute.

He had explained to U.S. leaders that negotiations were being held up by the Arabs' fundamental refusal to accept the existence of the State, and not because of any fault of Israel. The Palestine issue did not constitute an obstacle to peace either.

Israel and the U.S. had agreed on the need to try and recall the Geneva conference without the terrorists, Rabin said. Other possibilities for peace negotiations were also agreed upon, as well as objectives closer at hand than peace. No need had arisen to take operative decisions, because of the U.S. Government's sober and realistic approach, he said, and that of Israel.

Rabin said that understanding between Israel and the U.S. on the Palestine issue had apparently been reinforced. Administration leaders said they favoured a solution in the context of peace with Jordan, rather than negotiations with the terrorists to establish a third state.

He praised the U.S. for its arms aid to Israel after the Yom Kippur War, when it gave weapons from its emergency arsenals and even from U.S. Army units.

After disengagement with Syria, he said, Israel and the U.S. agreed that Israel present a detailed list of the weapons it needed for the following decade. The list, as drafted, dealt in detail with the first five years and in general terms with the second five years.

It was found necessary subsequently to revise the lists, because of mounting costs, budgetary changes, the unrealistic extent of the arms requests, and the objections raised to some of the items. Rabin said that everybody in the Administration and in Congress knew that Israel had revised its shopping lists.

He decided to clarify the issue to the Israeli press corps in a background briefing, and stressed that the original and the revised lists alike bore his approval.

He said: "Anybody attributing to me an intention which I did not have is both wrong and misleading. If the impression was created that I criticized the Defence Minister and the Defence establishment, that is to be regretted, because it was definitely not my intention."

Rabin commented in reply to a Likud attack that the Government voiced its objections to the U.S. about possible U.S. arms supplies to

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Alignment backing because 'time not ripe'

By ASHEE WALLFISH

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Alignment Knesset faction voted unanimously at a closed caucus a few hours before the no-confidence debate to give Prime Minister Rabin its full backing, not because it believed he had been unjustly assailed, but because it felt the time was not ripe under the pressure of a Likud offensive to air the problem seriously.

Rabin stated his case on the controversial weapons shopping list issue in the course of a survey of his visit to the U.S. and emphasized that he had no intention of casting blame on anybody in connection with the lists.

The faction did not debate Premier Rabin's statement for lack of time as well as inclination. A few faction members asked questions in a manner which made it clear that they sensed an underlying distrust between the Prime Minister and the Defence Minister, which was bad for the party's health. They seemed convinced that Rabin had not deliberately intended to depict the Defence Minister in a negative light. However, several members stressed that a problem of clash of personality existed, and that this could not be glossed over indefinitely.

In surveying his U.S. visit, Premier Rabin painted a positive picture of the sympathy for Israel which he encountered at all levels, from the White House and the Congress through the Administration and down to the people. "I found a broad, solid base of support for us

in public opinion, and a great deal of sympathy," he said.

Rabin said that U.S. Administration leaders sought to determine long-range political objectives, while significantly promoting stability and peace prospects in the Middle East. Americans realised that the PLO must be kept out of the negotiations, and that a third state must not be established in the region. He said that in American eyes, Jordan appeared to be Israel's obvious negotiating partner over the issue of the eastern border.

When his hosts raised the question of weapons shopping lists, he said he devoted his efforts to convincing the Administration and the Congress how vital were Israel's re-

quested and up-dated requests for weaponry. He trusted that Congress would give a positive reply to Israel's requests.

Briefing the Israeli press corps, he said, he stressed the joint responsibility for the weapons lists, as first submitted and as subsequently revised. "Any interpretation seeking to attribute to me any intention of blaming anybody is erroneous and misleading because such was certainly not my intention."

Rabin urged the faction to see the situation in its true perspective. "Yitzhak Ben-Aharon was one of the few faction members who lived up to an otherwise humdrum caucus. 'We are in a sick situation,' he declared. 'Our Government has been shaken to its foundations. I cannot

let this go by with a smile."

Ben-Aharon said the Alignment must hold an urgent debate on the personal relations between its representatives. There was no harmony within the leadership, he said, and despite the pretences put out in Cabinet communiques, the situation was serious.

Ben-Zion Halbron asked about the latest developments in Jordan, and Shoshana Arbell asked whether the Lebanese situation came up in the Washington talks. But these two, like other faction members who put in a word, showed no inclination to demand full information, while the answers which Premier Rabin gave them were brief.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres (Continued on page 3, col. 1)

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	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Min-Max
Jerusalem	97	1-7	2-9
Jerusalem	98	1-8	2-10
Nahariya	98	1-14	7-11
Safed	99	1-7	1-14
Hadera	99	1-7	1-14
Tiberias	99	1-7	1-14
Nazareth	99	1-7	1-14
Afula	99	1-7	1-14
Sharon	99	1-7	1-14
Tel Aviv	99	1-7	1-14
B.G. Airport	99	1-7	1-14
Jericho	99	1-7	1-14
Gaza	99	1-7	1-14
Beer Sheva	99	1-7	1-14
Eilat	99	1-7	1-14
Tiran Straits	99	1-7	1-14

Social and Personal

President Katzir yesterday received a delegation of members of the National Council of Jewish Women in the U.S., which sponsors the institute for the education of the disadvantaged next to the Hebrew University.

The Speaker of the Knesset, Yisrael Yeshayahu, yesterday received at his office the new British Ambassador, Thomas Anthony Keith Elliot.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot visited Hechal Shlomo yesterday.

The Minister of Housing, Avraham Ofer, yesterday received the Swedish Ambassador, Fritz Ivo Dolling.

Mr. Dolling also called on Education Minister Asher Yadin.

The Minister of Interior, Dr. Yosef Burg, yesterday received the South African Ambassador, Dr. Charles Fincham.

The Minister of Tourism, Mr. Moshe Kol, yesterday received the Thai Ambassador, Mr. Nibhon Wilairat.

A library for pre-kindergarten children has been dedicated in Jerusalem's Baka's quarter in memory of Rivka and Michael Ben-Yitzhak, who died in last July's Zion Square terror bombing. The books and furniture were donated by members and friends of the Adala Chapter of the National Religious Women's Organization.

Moshe Rivlin, director-general of the Jewish Agency and associate member of the Executive of the World Zionist Organization is speaking on "The Jewish people-Israel's faithful ally," at a meeting of the Jerusalem-Habira Lions Club at the Jerusalem Hilton today.

ARRIVALS

Jan Pearce, the noted singer, for a holiday and to give a series of recitals. Elmer Winter, national president of the American Jewish Committee, for a nine-day conference of the AJC Board of Governors.

Dr. Seymour Lachman, professor at the Baruch School of the City University of New York, heading a group of 11 American educationalists to study education in Israel during a week-long tour.

Strike over at Education Min.

THE ADMINISTRATIVE staffs of the Education Ministry decided last night to end their sanctions, started six days ago in an effort to secure "specific increments" and grade raises. The terms of the settlement were still being discussed at a meeting with Education Minister Aharon Yadin in his office late last night.

The sanctions involved the workers' refusal to handle mail or telephone calls, or to receive the public.

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Three killed, 10 hurt in fog crashes

THREE PERSONS were killed and 10 others injured yesterday in a spate of road accidents in the Judean Hills. Most of the accidents were attributed to a heavy mist.

Dorit Eisenstark-Padan, 56, was killed in a head-on collision between the taxi she was riding in and an Egged bus coming from Beer Sheva. The driver of the taxi, Yehoshua Ben-David, 26, of Or Akiva, was seriously injured.

In an unrelated accident, Muhammad Abu Hamriya, 26, of Elzariya (Bethany) was run over and killed on the Jerusalem-Jericho road by an East Jerusalem bus. The driver was detained for questioning. (HWA)

Dorit Eisenstark-Padan was head of the Behavioural Sciences Department at the University of the Negev until last year. This year she took over a new, interdisciplinary institute for the study of women. The former Hebrew University lecturer was the author of studies on the status of women, the sociology of the family, and sex roles. Born in Vienna, she was married and lived in Jerusalem.

Histadrut, employers renew talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut and the private employers appeared to be working out a deal to break the deadlock in negotiations over a new labour agreement in the production sector.

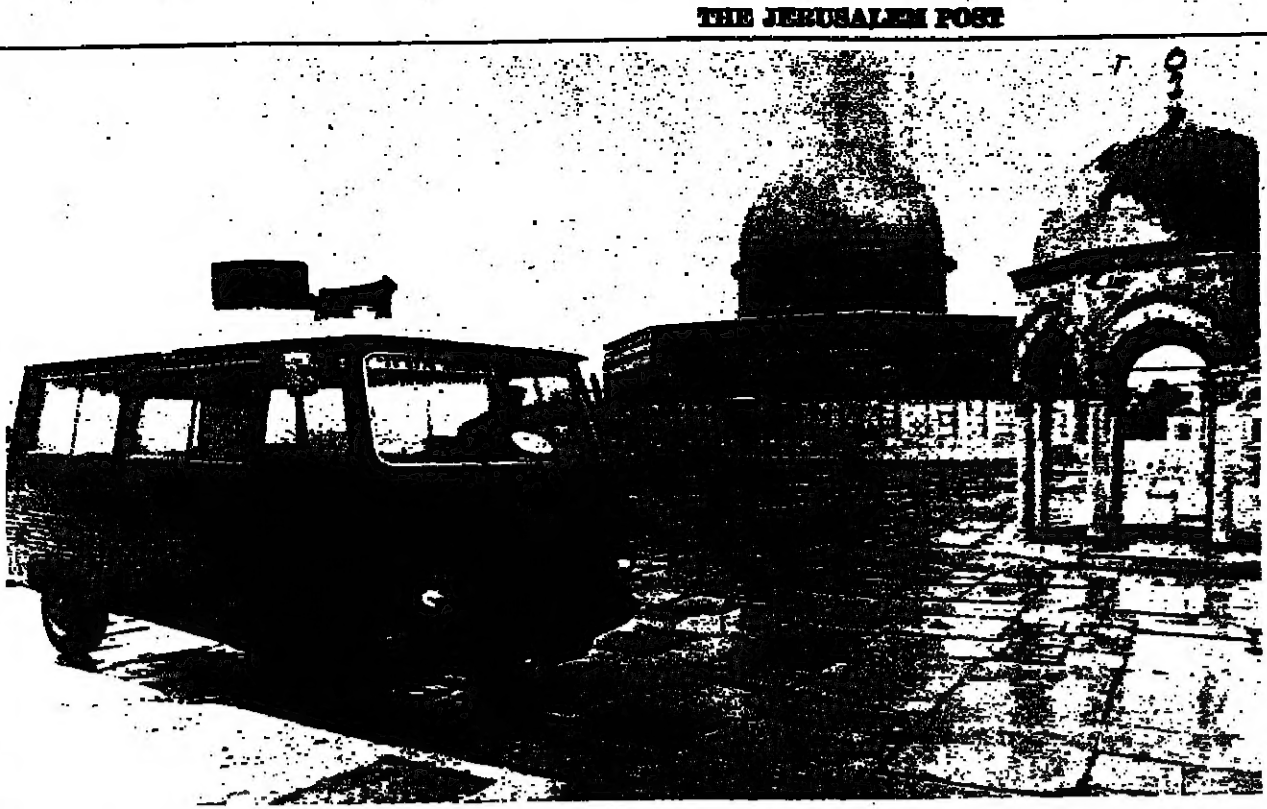
They are trying to work out a solution over the employers' demand that workers get 50 per cent of their pay for the second and third day they are away, rather than 80 per cent as at present. They are also seeking how to quickly introduce new production norms.

Dov Lautman, who represents the coordinating bureau of economic organizations, yesterday reiterated the decision of employers "not to sit" with the Histadrut unless the latter accepts those demands.

Histadrut leaders yesterday examined possible solutions and from time to time phoned the private employers to sound them out. Later in the day, Uriel Abrahamowicz, who heads the Histadrut negotiating team, conferred with Lautman.

The parties were not talking about what went on during the meeting and Abrahamowicz would not even tell his own spokesman what they discussed. Both Abrahamowicz and Lautman told *The Jerusalem Post* that no decisions were reached.

Asked if the gap had been narrowed they said that as long as negotiations were underway, it was difficult to estimate.



Police stood by at the Temple Mount yesterday to prevent further demonstrations by Arab pupils. (Rahamin Yisraeli)

23 arrested for Temple Mount riot

TWENTY-TWO Arab school boys and a young woman are being held in custody for allegedly inciting a protest yesterday on the Temple Mount — the third such incident in three days. Six other youths were yesterday remanded by the Jerusalem Magistrates Court for seven days for Sunday's protest.

At 8 o'clock yesterday morning, high school youths began milling about the Temple Mount and by 10 o'clock, 300 had gathered. Police arrested 18, including a girl who allegedly assaulted the East Jerusalem police chief.

Other youths began calling through the Al Akse Mosque microphones for more demonstrators. The appeals did not succeed, and the crowd threw stones at the police. Five more were arrested and the gathering dispersed by 1 o'clock.

The present protest wave stems from the Jerusalem Magistrate's acquittal two weeks ago of Jewish youths arrested nine months before for praying on the verges of the Temple Mount. The State Attorney is to appeal against this verdict.

No local buyers yet for Maritime vessels

Jerusalem Post Reporter

There are no buyers as yet for the eight ships of the Maritime Fruit Carriers Company which fly under the Israeli flag, Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi said yesterday. He was addressing the heads of the two seamen's unions representing the officers and ratings who had called upon him to demand urgent government action to prevent the sale to foreign buyers of the Company's eight refrigeration ships.

The two unions urged the Government to grant potential Israeli buyers of the ships financial concessions, as practised by other maritime countries, to make the purchases possible. They stressed that the ships were profitable.

Ya'acobi said that, despite Israel's interest that the ships continue to fly under the Israeli flag, no buyers had yet been found who were willing to acquire the ships at the present conditions of sale.

The minister said that the gap between what the Maritime Fruit Carriers Company was asking and what different groups in Israel were offering was still too great. He added that the Maritime Carriers was a private company and the government is in no way involved in the firm's business.

Noting that there was a depression in world shipping which had also affected the profits of the Israel merchant marine, Ya'acobi pointed out that, nevertheless, income from the Israel fleet should amount to \$450m. this year. The activities of the merchant marine were therefore important to the country's security and economy.

Officers Union Secretary Adam Chislik said last night that he had warned Ya'acobi that his union would not acquiesce in the sale of the ships and the loss of 300 seamen's jobs on them, as long as the ministry authorises the charter of foreign ships to carry Israeli cargoes. He had also urged the minister to order bare board charters when absolutely necessary, so that the ships would at least be manned by Israeli crews.



AT THE STATE memorial service on Mount Herzl for Prime Minister Levi Eshkol on the seventh anniversary of his death, yesterday from left to right: Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, chairman of the advisory council of the Bank of Israel David Horowitz, and Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev. (Hatzit)

Clampdown on University of Zambia

LUSAKA. — Two foreign lecturers were arrested yesterday in what appeared to be a major clampdown by police on the restive university of Zambia, informed sources reported. They identified the two men as Dario Longhi, an American lecturer in sociology, and Robert Molteno, a South African-born tutor in political science.

The arrests brought to four the number of lecturers who have been detained since President Kenneth Kaunda declared a full state of emergency two weeks ago.

A large number of police massed near the university. Officials said the main campus had been closed indefinitely.

Tension between authorities and the university has been rising since students demonstrated recently in favour of the Soviet-backed Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA). (Reuters)

QUINS. — An Iranian woman gave birth to quintuplets in Teheran Sunday night, and hospital sources yesterday said she and the three girls and two boys were well. The hospital said they were the 27-year-old mother's first children after six years of marriage. (Reuters)

Judge jails ruffian despite police plea

TEL AVIV. — A 28-year-old man on trial for attacking a woman at a hotel here received sympathy from unexpected quarters — the police prosecutor.

According to the charge sheet, Daniel Abutbul attacked and wounded a woman in a Tel Aviv hotel. When the hotel owner called the police, Abutbul threatened to shoot him with an Uzi submachine gun and burn down his hotel.

The police prosecutor then asked for release of the accused until appeal was heard. The judge rejected the request.

6 months' jail for drag racing in Jericho

JERICHO. — Three East Jerusalem youths were sentenced here yesterday to six months in prison for tearing down the town's streets in a car the previous day.

The magistrate said he was imposing so harsh a sentence because no one had ever terrorized the Jericho populace thus before. The prisoners had been presented to him yesterday for remanding but he decided to dispense swift justice. (HWA)

IL45,000 fine for illegal garage

TEL AVIV. — The Migfash Hirya firm and its manager, Ellyahu Sa'adon, were fined IL45,000 by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court for building without permission. Sa'adon was also given a six month suspended prison sentence.

Sa'adon set up a petrol station with a licence but then continued to dig up adjacent farm land and to construct a repair garage. His illegal structure was ordered torn down unless he can get a licence by next January. (HWA)

Six textile men in court on IL115,000 theft charge

By YOEL DAE Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — The trial of six employees of the Kibon textile plant in Upper Nazareth in connection with the theft of IL115,000 worth of yarn began in the district court here yesterday.

Three of the men admitted part of the allegations. The charges against two others were not read because their defence counsel was absent owing to mourning. One of the accused denied all charges.

Shaul David, 30, pleaded guilty after some reservations about his part in the theft, and the prosecutor agreed to amend the charge to involve a sum of IL12,300 only.

Will Berkowitz admitted part of the charges, and Shalom Kraemer, director of manpower and security in the plant, admitted having taken part in a meeting at which the thefts were planned, but claimed to have objected to them. Kraemer said that the others decided however to go ahead with the plan and to pay Kraemer his share, IL3,000 altogether. He accepted this money.

Kraemer's attorney said that his client did not know what his associates had done.

Asked by Judge Orr whether he meant that Kraemer had accepted

Rosh Ha'ayin rioters held

TWENTY-FIVE PERSONS arrested for rioting over the weekend in Rosh Ha'ayin were brought before a Petah Tikva magistrate yesterday to be remanded in custody.

Four other residents of the village are already in police custody. The judge yesterday issued 14-day remand orders against five of the suspects, seven-day orders against 13 others, and ordered the remaining seven released on bail. But he agreed to leave them in detention until this morning, pending a police appeal against their release.

The police reinforcements called in to restore order after rioters burned police cars and stopped a train Friday afternoon were pulled out yesterday. But the town is still tense.

The cause of the violent demonstration was the unannounced demand of 180 young couples in Rosh Ha'ayin — 15 kilometres from Tel Aviv — for housing at the same terms

the Government gives in developing towns and border areas.

The Black Panthers intervened yesterday, demanding that the suspects be released from jail — "to calm the town down." Panther leader Shalom Cohen told reporters in Jerusalem that his organisation supported the young couples in Rosh Ha'ayin and would stage another demonstration there soon.

The Knesset Presidium yesterday denied urgency to two motions on the agenda about the riots and the housing problem in Rosh Ha'ayin tabled by the Aguda Bloc and Likud. Both factions are appealing the bar today, in the House Committee.

A TORA SCROLL was burned in a fire at the Forest Youth youth in Jerusalem's Katamon section, at midnight on Sunday. Arson is suspected.

Amin worried by French presence

NAIROBI. — Uganda's President Idi Amin has expressed "alarm" over what he described as a growing French military buildup off the East African coast, Uganda Radio said yesterday.

The radio, monitored here, said Amin, current chairman of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), said the French move posed a threat to peace and stability in the area.

Amin said he was commenting on reports France had sent 1,000 troops to Aden and Djibouti last week and had strengthened its naval presence in the Indian Ocean. (AP)

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URGENT!

No-confidence debate

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It raised the matter in connection with the reported sale of Hercules transport planes, not because any specific item was significant but because such supply would form a precedent.

He stressed once more the deep friendship for Israel he encountered on his visit from Americans at every level, the untrammeled readiness of U.S. Jewry to aid Israel, and his personal appreciation to President Ford and his other hosts.

The Likud spokesman, Haim Landau, accused the Premier of doing grave harm to Israel's security interests in the U.S. He had struck a blow at the credibility of the Government and the defence establishment alike, Landau said.

Israel's arms requests would be increasing difficulties as a result of the Premier's revelations, Landau believed. The list had already shrunk out of all recognition. Arms requests in 1975 which should have been delivered in 1976 would only arrive in 1977 or 1978, and in smaller quantities, he said.

Landau mocked Rabin for claiming that he was satisfied with every visit he made to the U.S., when in fact his statements about the arms lists shocked his political friends and foes alike. Landau criticized the Premier for the Premier's attribution to them of his Alignment followers: Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, Aharon Yariv and Avraham Shalom.

He surmised that perhaps Rabin asked the basic qualities which a Premier requires to conduct himself properly under conditions of fatigue, tension or pressure. Landau told Rabin not to try and go the other way as a minor hitch. It was much more a danger to the state as well as a disgrace, Landau said. For all those reasons, the Prime Minister should resign forthwith.

Ezer Meyer adds:
In the debate, representatives of the factions made the following points:

It is a new departure in Israeli politics to see problems of internal politics — even reckonings with the press — solved by the Prime Minister during a visit to the U.S. The Government is a specialist in the Government with a long list of failures: the Timna mine closing, the

far-reaching political programmes, Rabbi Menachem Haohen of Labour applauded this idea. Faction chairman Moshe Wertheim said he would do his best to arrange this.

The parliamentary press corps was in a ferment yesterday because the Alignment faction invited two of its members only, representing "Davar" and "Al Hamishmar," to attend the caucus — which is unusual open to all the press. The logic of the invitation was that the two papers were honest, open, which could be trusted to print only what the party leadership permitted, and suppress whatever was inconvenient.

But the rest of the press corps just walked in and sat down. Finally, chairman Wertheim decided to bar the entire press rather than favour the two house organs.

After the caucus, the press corps got an official handout describing what transpired. The press corps filled this bland framework out with a broad selection of leaks from communicative members, thus producing a far more vivid and racy account than the official version.

Rabin at the Alignment
(Continued from page 1)

through the caucus passively without speaking. Mordechai LePort, dynamic figure in the Alignment wing, stayed away from the caucus entirely, saying it did not interest him. After ex-Rabin claimed that he and Rabin had not collaborated on the draft of Rabin's statements in the faction or in the caucus — despite a flood of press reports to this effect. David Coren, ex-Rabin, walked out half way through, explaining that he was tired.

Rabin's only warm supporter was Ari Ankori, who praised the Prime Minister and said sadly that preceding Prime Minister had returned from such a successful U.S. visit, only to be torn to shreds on his arrival home. At this, Ezer Meyer quipped: "They tore the senior source" to shreds — not the Prime Minister.

Two Mapam men, Dov Zaklin and Ezer Ronen, urged the Alignment to stage a full-dress political debate in the near future and draft

Minister blames engineers for phone sanctions

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The Deputy Minister of Communications, Eli Moyal, yesterday blamed engineering workers of the Ministry of Tel Aviv branch for "sabotaging" efforts to avoid work sanctions. He was replying to urgent queries for the agenda in the Knesset by Hillel Seidel (ILP) and Eliezer Shviri (NRP) about recent strikes in the civil service.

Moyal said that last year only 10 civil servants had been called before disciplinary courts, and that the case of the Tel Aviv engineering workers is the only one in which attempts are being made to exert

pressure on the courts. As it is, only 1,800 of the 7,000 engineering workers in the Tel Aviv district have joined in the sanctions, which include a slowdown in telephone repairs and installations.

(The disciplinary action stems from an incident several weeks ago in which engineering workers allowed TV crews to film a new exchange without first securing permission.)

Mr. Moyal told the Knesset that on the very day, February 1, that he had scheduled a meeting at the Ministry to discuss the case with the workers started their sanctions.

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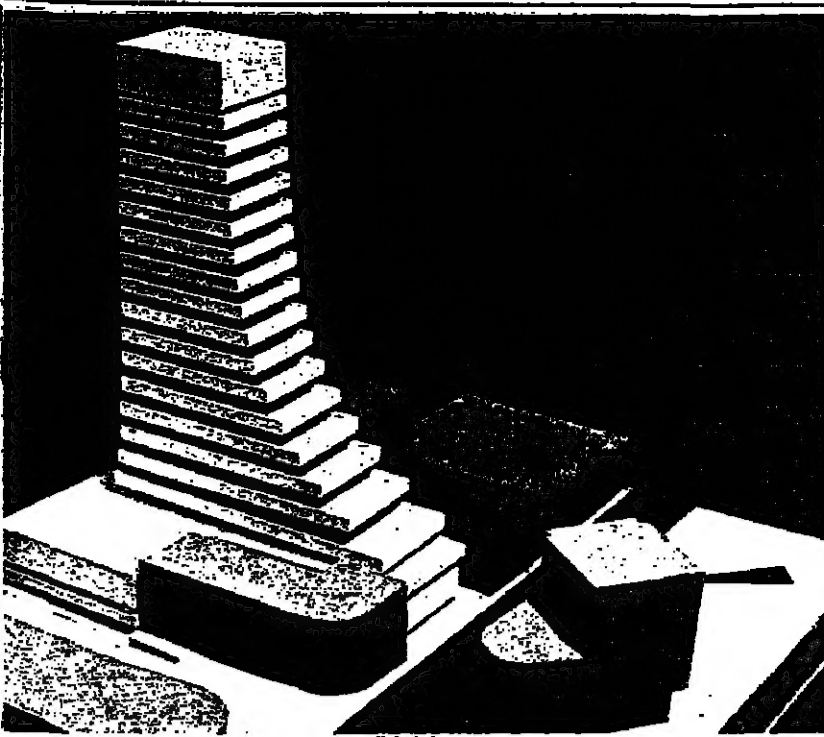
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A model of the Haim Tower, to be built in Haifa.

Business 'tower' for Haifa

By YA'ACOV FREEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Construction of the city's largest commercial building, the Haim Tower, is to start within a month at the eastern end of the town's main street, Rehov Herzl.

The 23-story building, which will have 13,000 square metres of floor space, is expected to take three years to complete, and is likely to change the character of Rehov Herzl, moving its centre from west to east.

The building will be financed by a partnership of the Kuehnrich Brothers Firm company, backed by foreign investors, and the Mivne Pales Ltd. Building Contractors. The building will include a large shopping centre, slanted for the tourist trade, a big fur centre, offices, a popular class hotel, and a restaurant and cafeteria on the top floor. In addition it will have several underground storeys for parking, storerooms and a shelter. About IL40m. will be invested.

The building, designed by architect Moshe Oren, will go up on a plot bought before the Yom Kippur War from 20th Century Fox, the film company, which had intended to build a cinema there.

Shlomo Kuehnreich told The Jerusalem Post that he intends to offer some of the space to small independent retailers in the U.S. who are being driven out of the trade by the big firms. Skilled labour in the trade was much cheaper in Israel, which had a reservoir of such workers among Russian immigrants.

Haifa mayor wants 50% increase in rates
By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Haifa's new Mayor, Yehoshua Zeisel, told the press on Sunday that local rates would have to go up by 50 to 60 per cent at this year because the Finance Ministry would not make up the deficit.

The Mayor stated that an emergency meeting of the heads of local authorities was due to be held on Thursday to consider the financial situation of the towns in the light of the Finance Minister's statement that he would allocate only IL200m. towards their deficits, which totalled about IL500m. this year.

The Finance Minister had suggested to local authorities that they curtail even such essential services as education and street lighting.

The Mayor said that the municipal authorities in Haifa would do whatever possible to increase efficiency and to economize.

Mr. Zeisel was addressing his first press conference since his election last month.

He said that the sum of IL550m. which was being proposed for Haifa's 1976-77 budget is IL130m. more than the year provided for a deficit of IL130m. He expected to cover the deficit by Government grants, and by higher contributions from the Ministries towards the cost of public services provided through the municipality, such as education, welfare and road-building.

Here are some points made by Mr. Zeisel:

On keeping the city clean: "We are desperately short of workers. We employed a contractor who supplied men from the West Bank, but the agreement had to be suspended (the

Busy month for El Al
By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEIN-GURION AIRPORT. — El Al today expects an all-time record, which all of its three jumbos and one of its Boeing 707s are expected to bring in capacity loads from the U.S. and Canada.

The visitors include late-comers to Fashion Week and contingents from Canada to attend the Zionist Federation conference opening here this week. El Al told The Jerusalem Post that bookings for February are unusually heavy and that the company expects a good month, matching the 30 per cent increase in tourist traffic reported last month (over January, 1975).

Meanwhile, the chairman of Long Island Travel Agents Association, Aharon Jayson, earlier this week condemned charter flights to Israel and warned the Tourism Ministry that they might head off the smaller American travel agents who provide the bulk of tourist traffic to Israel.

The Netanyahu Municipal Council has called for implementation of the Beth Committee's recommendations to permit charter flights, because the town's primary industry is tourism.

Fashion Week off to good start
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A record number of foreign buyers — over 600 — registered here yesterday for the opening of the Tel Aviv Fashion Week, and more are expected today. Compared with last year, the atmosphere at the Tel Aviv Hilton, where elevators were once more crowded with mannequins and retailers, was confident and active.

Wintry weather appropriate to Israel's entry into the Common Market kept the visitors, from 13 countries, close to the showrooms of the 100 participating local firms.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Haim Bar-Lev, addressed the official opening reception last night, given by Arye Frenkel, chairman of the Export Institute's Fashion Centre.

NETANYA THIEVES in separate incidents stole a jeweller's safe with IL138,000 in diamonds, store goods worth IL20,000 and IL12,000 cash from a house.

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Feigin elected to lead Soviet newcomers

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Soviet immigrants association executive on Sunday night elected Grisha Feigin as its new chairman. Although an avowed activist, who did not at first meet with the favour of Labour-backed groups, Feigin was finally endorsed both by Labour and Likud circles.

He and his list won the votes of 42 of the executive members. Another 27 members voted for a list headed by the executive director of the Association, Daniel Butz. Butz had hoped to win Labour support, but finally ran on a list which is said to have been backed chiefly by persons close to Mapam and others who disapproved of Labour backing for an activist such as Feigin.

Feigin achieved fame when he returned to the Soviet authorities all the medals of valour which he won in World War Two, as a gesture of protest for the Soviets' refusal to let him leave for Israel. He was as a result committed to an insane asylum and released only after an international outcry.

Feigin told The Jerusalem Post that he advocates an open campaign on behalf of Soviet Jewry. He has come out very strongly against the establishment's handling of the struggle for Soviet Jews and the absorption of the immigrants in Israel. He says that Israel officialdom has "not even begun to understand the national revolution which has taken place among Soviet Jews," and fails "to grasp the mentality of these Jews. Zionism should be our guideline and not a hobby or a business," he told The Jerusalem Post.

The former Prisoners of Zion organization is to open its second convention here this evening with a call to the Government "to intensify the struggle for Soviet Jewry" and "not to let up for a single day until the last Soviet Jew who so desires is allowed to come to Israel, and until the last of the Prisoners of Zion is released."

This was reported to the press yesterday by organization chairman Yehoshua Pulerovich. He said the conference will also urge that Rabin be outlawed, charging that "it has nothing whatever to do with Communist ideology and is merely a nest for the country's enemies from within and without."

Jerusalem owes IL10m. for water
Jerusalem Post Reporter
WATER MAY find its own level but the Jerusalem Water Department's budget hasn't.

Municipal officials complained yesterday that a IL10m. deficit has accumulated because of a greater fiscal outflow than inflow. They said that the Interior Ministry has not fulfilled a promise made a year ago to make up the difference between the price charged to Jerusalem residents — a price fixed at that time by the Government at a rate equal to that elsewhere in the country — and the price charged the city by Mekorot. The latter, say the city officials, is the highest in the country.

A ministry official said yesterday that the ministry has acknowledged but not yet paid — its obligation to pay a portion of this difference and that it will in the near future examine the possibility of acknowledging its obligation to additional payments.

Villages complain of Beersheba's overflow sewage
BEERSHEBA. — Little rivulets of sewage, emanating from Beersheba, are trickling across the Eshkol Region, draining into Nahal Garar.

This charge was made by Shmuel Avni, of Kibbutz Be'er, chairman of the Eshkol District Council, in letters to Health and Interior Ministry officials. Avni says the sewage constitutes a "grave threat to health and an aesthetic blight."

He wrote that the rivulets were believed to be flood waters. But since the Negev has had no significant rainfall for weeks, it is now clear they come from Beersheba's sewers.

No 'Ha'aretz' today
TEL AVIV. — The printers' strike at "Ha'aretz" has gone into its second day, and the newspaper is again not to appear. The strike is over the dismissal of a printing worker.

This is the third stoppage at "Ha'aretz" in the last nine months. In May 1975 the printers imposed sanctions and last November journalists came out. On both previous occasions the issue was pay.

THE FIRST MALE born in Ma'alé Adumim, the new settlement on the Jerusalem-Jericho road, was circumcised there yesterday in the presence of Yitzhak Rabin, Minister of Religious Affairs. The boy's parents, the Speerthals, are founding members of the settlement.

School strike in Yeruham
YERUHAM. — Three hundred middle school pupils were taken out on strike by the teachers' union and the parents' of committees at the Shoshana Sapir school yesterday. Strike organizers told the press they were protesting against the neglected condition of the school. It has neither telephone nor security fence, and no arrangements for a school nurse have been made.

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Tax reductions for self-employed

Jerusalem Post Economics Reporter
THE INCOME TAX authorities have issued orders to reduce the deduction of tax at source for self-employed who keep books according to regulations.

The decision has been taken to induce the self-employed to keep books, an essential practice for successful operation of both the value added tax (VAT) and the new system of income declarations. According to this system the authorities will not question the tax declarations of self-employed who keep proper books.

The deduction at source has been reduced from 20 to 10 per cent to those self-employed engaged in transport, metals, electronics and electricity.

For writers' fees and commissions, to insurance agents, it has been reduced from 35 per cent to 10 per cent for an annual income of not more than IL45,000, to 20 per cent for income of IL45,000-IL75,000, and to 30 per cent for incomes of IL75,000-IL100,000. All reductions are on condition that the specified employment is the sole one of the particular individual.

MKs back IL28m. Egged loan

Jerusalem Post Economics Reporter
THE KNESSET Finance Committee yesterday endorsed Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz's decision to grant Egged a IL28m. loan to enable the cooperative to pay its debt to the income tax authorities.

Egged owes the tax authorities IL16m. in income tax and IL12m. for defence tax. The IL28m. loan is for one year and carries 22 per cent interest. Usually the tax authorities have granted such loans themselves, but lately due to public criticism, all such decisions are being taken by the Finance Minister himself.

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WILSON DOUBTS REPORT UNTRUE British mercenary blames 'maniac' for executions

LONDON.—Prime Minister Harold Wilson said yesterday up to 14 British mercenaries apparently have been executed by a firing squad in Angola, and "a very considerable number" of others killed in the fighting there.

In a statement to parliament, Wilson said Richard Stratton, Britain's Ambassador in Kinshasa, capital of neighbouring Zaire, was not yet able to confirm or deny that executions have taken place. But commenting on reports that 13 or 14 mercenaries were executed by a firing squad, Wilson said: "While I hope the figures are exaggerated, I have doubts about it."

Earlier yesterday, John Banks, a mercenary leader fighting with the anti-communist National Front (FNLA) in Angola's civil war, said he was "half-convinced" that 13 or 14 British mercenaries were executed by their comrades for refusing to fight.

He told a London news conference that "Colonel Callan," a Greek-born mercenary commander who reportedly ordered the executions in the north Angolan FNLA stronghold of Sao Salvador, is "a homicidal maniac."

Banks, a former British paratrooper who returned from Angola

nine days ago, claimed he had seen the mysterious Callan and another white mercenary execute 11 Angolans with a machine gun and a shotgun. "Callan gave the orders," he said. "He also shot one of the Angolans himself with a shotgun. The Angolans were all looters and rapists — they deserved to be shot."

The BBC said that Callan fled into the bush after FNLA president Holden Roberto heard about the reported executions and ordered the mercenaries' arrest and court-martial. Reports from Kinshasa reaching London said Callan was himself later killed, apparently by other mercenaries or by FNLA security men.

The reported executions have stirred controversy in Britain, from where an estimated 200 mercenaries have flown to fight for the FNLA in the last two weeks. Sixty more flew out on Sunday night. British lawmakers urged the Government yesterday to invoke emergency legislation to stop British mercenaries from going to Angola.

Meanwhile, a highly reliable source in Pretoria yesterday confirmed the fall of Huambo, Angola's second largest city, to Cuban and Soviet-backed Popular Movement forces.

(AP, UPI)

Soviet skier loses medal: Took wrong nose drops

INNSBRUCK.—Galina Kulakova, the Russian cross-country skier who has been a world champion five times, lost an Olympic medal yesterday because she took the wrong medicine for a cold.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) found her guilty of taking a forbidden drug, ephedrine, and ordered her stripped of the bronze medal she won in the 5-km. cross-country race of the winter Olympics last Saturday.

It went instead to another Russian, Nina Baldecheva, who finished fourth.

This was the first case of doping in the current games.

Prince Alexandre de Merode, president of the IOC's medical commission, admitted Kulakova took the drug in all innocence: "It was such a small amount that it seemed almost an injustice to take the medal away; but if we are to have a medical commission and rules, we must enforce them," he explained.

The commission had issued a list of forbidden drugs to all team doctors before the games began.

Prince Merode said, "Mrs. Kulakova was suffering from a cold and a friend told her she had some medicine to help a cold." She took only three or four drops.

The case was similar to that of

American swimmer Rick Demont, who was ordered to hand back a gold medal in the 1972 summer games at Munich. He took a forbidden medication — also containing ephedrine — as treatment for asthma.

The same drug brought disqualification and a life ban on Canadian track star Joan Wenzel at the Pan-American games in Mexico City last year. And at the Sapporo Winter Olympics, four years ago, West German ice hockey captain Alois Schloder was suspended for six months when a urine test showed traces of ephedrine.

Meanwhile, East Germany kept up the pressure on the Russians in the chase for medals when world champion Ulrich Wehling retained his Nordic Combination title.

Despite his disappointing 13th place in the cross-country section of the two-day competition, Wehling held on to his overnight lead on the strength of his outstanding ski jumping.

His win lifted the East German haul to five golds — two behind the Soviet Union — though the Russians looked certain to snap up another late last night when Ludmila Pakhomova and Alexander Gorshkov wound up their ice dancing campaign with the free skating programme.

(AP, Reuters)

Charged in anti-Tito plot

BEGRAD.—Four Yugoslav Stalinists, including a former deputy Prime Minister of the Croatian Republic, went on trial behind closed doors yesterday on charges of plotting to overthrow the government and bring Yugoslavia under foreign influence.

They were alleged to have had contact with Yugoslav Stalinist emigres in Eastern Europe, with a view to finding out whether the Soviet Army would intervene in Yugoslavia after President Tito leaves office.

The four, who were arrested in Belgrade last July, and face up to 15 years in jail if convicted, are Milivoje Stevanovic, 64, former editor of the national news agency Tan-

jug; Dusan Brkic, 63, the former Croatian deputy premier; Radovan Zigic, 55; and Ljubomir Radulovic, 58.

Each of them is retired and has already been in prison for Stalinist activity.

They were said to have formed a Stalinist group aimed at disrupting Yugoslavia's development, overthrowing its authorities, undermining the brotherhood and unity of the Yugoslav peoples, seeking recruits, and bringing the country under foreign influence.

As soon as the proceedings opened in the Belgrade district courtroom, the prosecutor demanded that the public be excluded "in the interest of official secrecy."

(Reuters)



Women residents of the Guatemala town of San Pedro Sacatepequez walk up a hill carrying the belongings they salvaged amid the rubble of their homes, destroyed by last week's massive earthquake. (AP radiophoto)

Relief for isolated Guatemala villages

GUATEMALA CITY.—Helicopter relief teams took supplies to the towns and villages isolated by the Guatemalan earthquake and returned with reports that raised the official toll yesterday to more than 15,000 dead, an estimated 40,000 injured and 200,000 homeless.

There were reports the death toll could reach 50,000.

The death count jumped repeatedly as the National Emergency Relief Committee got more information from outlying areas cut off until the first relief helicopters reached them late Sunday.

Engineers worked to open more roads blocked by landslides and to repair broken bridges. Relief officials put survivors to work, promising them extra food according to the hours they worked clearing roads or burying the dead.

Spot checks in several sections hit by the devastating quake last Wednesday and more than 535 aftershocks, including light tremors early yesterday, showed aid was getting through. In some places it was only a trickle. But that was welcome for people who had had nothing but bits of stale bread and brackish water for five days.

"We need serum and syringes to control a serious typhoid outbreak," said Hector Napoleon Alfaro, director of the National Community Development Programme. "We need salt, sugar and lime for making corn meal."

General Fernando Romeo Lucas, the National Defence Minister, threatened to withhold food from one small town because survivors refused to continue burying the dead unless they were paid. Lucas said 2,904 of the town's 3,760 people were killed when the earthquake dropped a large area about 20 feet.

"There is immediate danger of an epidemic unless the bodies are buried or burned," he said. But he said orders to burn the bodies might cause a riot.

In Guatemala City, five looters

were shot dead on the spot in the past 24 hours.

Hundreds of thousands still slept under makeshift tents in streets and parks of Guatemala City's heavily damaged El Galindo district.

The Government turned back two British planes loaded with aid supplies because the British refused to recognize Guatemala's claim to neighbouring Belize, formerly British Honduras. "Our national dignity demands the recovery of Belize," said Lucas.

But President Luis Echeverria of Mexico gave special permission for a flight of U.S. military planes to fly over his country to deliver more aid. (Mexican law forbids foreign military flights in formation in peace time.)

Two hundred kilograms of medicine and first aid equipment were flown out from Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday by El Al for Guatemala. The shipment was prepared by Magen David Adom at the request of the Foreign Ministry.

(AP, UPI, Reuters, Itm)

'Provisionals' get new boss

BEIRUT.—There has been a shake-up in the leadership of the Provisional Wing of the IRA, and a hardliner, Leo Martin, 37, has emerged as the new head. Informed sources said that Martin ousted Seamus Twomey, 56, after a policy clash in the movement.

Martin was released recently after being jailed in Eire for three years for illegal possession of a rifle and ammunition.

It is understood that the dispute arose over Twomey's opposition to the kidnapping of the Dutch industrialist Tiede Herraens, by IRA members at the end of last year.

A report from Belfast says that two Protestant gunmen ambushed a truckload of workers — believing them to be Catholic — in the city centre and killed two. In fact, both workers were Protestants.

(AP, UPI)

Cairo police raid 'black market' street

CAIRO.—Egyptian police cordoned off Shawarbi Street in downtown Cairo yesterday in a massive crackdown on illegal sales of imported goods after a female deputy minister was allegedly killed there by a vendor.

The minister, Gail Rashidy, 60, was reportedly beaten to death on Saturday after he attempted to return two shirts he had purchased to the operator of a stall. He had discovered they were not imported, as the seller had claimed.

Crowds gathered on the street and chanted "long live justice" as the police tore down sidewalk stalls and loaded shirts, women's clothes, watches, radios, cosmetics, costume, jewelry and other items into trucks.

Shawarbi Street has been popular with Egypt's middle class because its stores and stalls sell Western consumer goods. But the lower class resent it because they say it reeks of privilege.

(AP, UPI)

Rome police foil refinery attack

ROME.—Police foiled what they described as an attempt to blow up an oil refinery outside Rome early yesterday after an anonymous telephone call warned them an attack was being planned.

A patrol car found a car containing 15 sticks of dynamite and eight envelopes filled with plastic explosives parked outside an entrance to the refinery.

A second car drove off at high speed after police officers approached it and shots were fired during an unsuccessful chase, police said.

(Reuters)

Free pornotherapy in UK state hospitals

LONDON.—Doctors in Britain's state-financed National Health Service are prescribing hardcore pornography as a cure for sex problems, according to a Birmingham psychiatrist.

Dr. Colin Brewer, who lectures in psychiatry at Birmingham University, writes in the current issue of "The General Practitioner," the journal for Britain's family doctors, of a hospital he knows which boasts a vast collection of erotica covering every conceivable taste (plus a few inconceivable ones) which is used in the assessment and management of frigid ladies and sexual non-conformists who wish to conform.

"I was curious to know their source, since I couldn't imagine the consultant creeping around Soho in dark glasses, and was told that much of it comes from the police after confiscation."

Dr. Brewer said in his article that "the sort of people who might well have paid high prices for naughty photos can use them, not merely for free, but courtesy of the National Health Service."

Dr. Brewer thinks using pornography in the treatment of sex problems is a good idea. "It's a good thing for people to be unshockable about sex," he said.

Maurice Yaffe, clinical psychologist at a London hospital, agreed. "Pornography can be of great therapeutic value. It allows people images on which to focus for sexual arousal. It shows them what other people do and often stops them from being isolated."

Yaffe said that specialized units for helping people with sexual problems have been "discreetly" set up in the framework of the National Health Service. Films, magazines and visual aids are suggested to some patients to help them overcome their sexual difficulties, he said.

(AP)

THE WORLD IN BRIEF

'Saharans hold all but 4 towns'

PARIS.—A spokesman for the Polisario Front, the Saharan independence movement, said in an interview published here yesterday that the front's forces controlled all but four towns of Western Sahara, with the exception of four towns.

The spokesman, Baba Miske, also told the weekly "Paris Match" that more than 1,000 Moroccans had been killed and 200 taken prisoner in fighting in the formerly Spanish-administered territory.

"The Spaniards did not hand over the Western Sahara to the Moroccan

case and the Mauritania handed over four garrisons to the Polisario Front, and El-Guerguere, and Smara, inland west and still is controlled by us," he said.

Algeria has so far not indicated its attitude to a joint OAU League initiative to tackle Sahara issue, but has expressed stated that any mediation should be successful, must be based on the recognition of the Polisario right to decide their own fate.

Two dead in Greek snowstorms

ATHENS.—Bad weather and snowstorms sweeping Greece for the second day running have left two persons dead, caused widespread damage to crops, and provoked thousands of traffic accidents, Greek police reported yesterday.

A light cargo vessel which sent out an SOS off the southern Aegean island of Crete Sunday is also believed to have sunk with

a crew of eight aboard. A Athens remained snowed out, although the storm has stopped and brief shine spells prevailed. Police about 12,000 excursionists who the capital for the mountains. He out an SOS off the southern Aegean island of Crete Sunday is also believed to have sunk with

Republicans see Ford-Reagan tick

WASHINGTON.—Gerald Ford's bid for the Republican Party Presidential nomination is gaining the favour of more and more party leaders, who rank Ronald Reagan as their top choice for the No. 2 spot on the ticket, according to a magazine poll.

The survey, conducted for "U.S. News and World Report," said Republican officials personally favour Ford over Reagan by 2-1. That was

higher than those who ticked months ago, it said.

Nearly four out of five leaders expect Ford to be the publican nominee, it said. The publican officials ranked Reagan first for Vice-President, if Ford nominated, with 28 per cent favouring him in the poll.

Former Texas Gov. John B. Connally was picked by 12 per cent to rank second as a possible Presidential nominee.

Last Djibouti hostage flies home

PARIS.—A seven-year-old French boy kidnapped by separatist guerrillas in the French Red Sea enclave of Djibouti was reunited with his parents here today.

Reporters and photographers were kept at bay when Franck Rutkowski, reported to be in good health after his ordeal, was met by his parents as he stepped off a plane from Nairobi.

Franck was one of 30 children

taken hostage in a school last Tuesday by members of the Somali Front for the Liberation of the Somali Coast. Seven girls and one of the children died. Foreign Legionnaires stormed the school on Wednesday. All the children were freed except Franck, who was taken over the Somali border, apparently by other guerrillas. A child died of injuries later.

Isabel Peron warned of coup

BUENOS AIRES.—Opposition parties and dissident Peronists expressed concern yesterday over the possibility of a coup against President Isabel Peron.

Political sources said the concern grew after an army colonel on Saturday harshly criticized Mrs. Peron's administration in public. The sources said the colonel's remarks were the public expression of the long-suspected military unhappiness with the government's way of handling things.

Meanwhile, a terrorist bomb exploded before dawn at a bus station in the U.S.-owned Port City of New York in the city of Villa Urquiza.

There were no injuries.

The army issued a report on the first anniversary of the war against Marxist guerrillas in the northern province of Tucuman, saying the situation is "under control."

Basque youths kill mayor

MADRID.—Four young Basque separatists assassinated a 64-year-old town mayor in a hail of machine gun bullets yesterday.

The new violence in Spain's Basque region followed two Sundays of massive demonstrations and running clashes in the streets of Barcelona — the capital of Catalonia — where Catalan activists are also demanding autonomy for their region.

The latest incidents increased the already serious regional challenge to the 11-week-old monarchy of King Juan Carlos which is pledged to maintaining the central government of Madrid.

The mayor, Victor Legorburu Galdacano, was on his way to office when four youths jumped out of a car and shot him dead. The mayor was accompanied by a number of death threats.

Galdacano is a town of 10,000 people 35 kms. west of Bilbao.

German firm would send troop carriers to Saudi Arabia.

Peseta devalued

MADRID.—The Spanish peseta was devalued by 11 per cent yesterday.

An official statement said the government was modifying its intervention rates — the rate at which it intervenes in the market to support the peseta. The new rates in effect devalue the peseta by 11 per cent.

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A look at Margaret Thatcher, one year after taking over the leadership of the British Conservatives.

'Of course I want to be Prime Minister!'

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upper-class accent and the "suburban housewife" image she was said to project. But politicians soon found that behind the fluffy blonde hair, the pink-and-white complexion and deceptively fragile appearance was one of the toughest battlers in the largely man's world of British politics.

Mrs. Thatcher, mother of 11-year-old twins, won a scholarship to Oxford and went into politics after earlier careers as a research chemist and a tax lawyer. Her husband Denis, who keeps mostly out of the limelight, is a retired oil company executive.

Mrs. Thatcher's big problems are to unite the Conservative Party and to win back the working-class votes it lost in two disastrous general elections in 1974. She knows she may have to wait another two or three years before Wilson orders a general election and gives her his big chance.

"We all have to face the blame for our last defeat," she said recently. "In the next election we shall be fighting with a clear philosophy which asserts and protects the rights of the citizen and his family against ever-increasing government power." (UPI)

infighter. "The Labour Party is the natural party of unemployment," she goaded him recently, echoing a frequent Wilson claim that his party is "Britain's natural party of Government."

WHEN Mrs. Thatcher won her party's leadership, it was widely asserted that although she was an expert on education and taxation, she knew little about foreign affairs. "Yes, there probably is some truth

in this," she said, and set out at once to win instant foreign expertise, too. Among places she has visited in the past six months are the United States, Canada, Germany, the Arab oil states and Northern Ireland.

"A grasp of the basic problems of foreign policy is what is most necessary today," she says, "rather than detailed diplomatic knowledge."

Before she ousted Heath, Mrs. Thatcher was criticised for her alleged right-wing political views, her



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Parents' smoking harms children

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — A direct link between the number of cigarettes smoked by parents and the prevalence of throat and chest ailments among their children is reported by French pediatrician, Gilles Said.

Dr. Said told fellow doctors at a conference at the Paris Hospital for Sick Children early this month that nearly twice as many youngsters whose parents smoke 20 cigarettes a day have tonsil and adenoid operations as non-smokers' children.

He reported that, whereas 28 per cent of non-smokers' children have to undergo these operations, the figure rises to 57 per cent when parents smoke 5-10 cigarettes a day. It goes up steeply to 88 per cent when over 20 cigarettes are smoked.

Dr. Said started a six-month research programme after noticing that Paris children suffered from more respiratory ailments after a weekend at home with their families in a smoke-filled room.

Parents cooperated in tests which showed that when they cut down on tobacco, their children's infection rate was reduced — but went up again when the adults started smoking again.

Dr. Said's experiments have been conducted independently of the French Government's no-smoking campaign which has made no impact on tobacco sales.

Improving Israel's image in Canada

By PHILIP GILLON
Jerusalem Post Reporter



Clara Balinsky

in moral terms. It was the failure to do this that lost us so many Jewish youngsters."

Of course, public relations has not been her only activity in Canadian Hadasah-Wizo; on the contrary, she has held every important portfolio in the organization's many-sided activities. "It takes 10 years to get a Ph. D. in music," she comments. "It took me 33 years to become National President of Hadasah-Wizo."

This remark indicates the con-

scious choice she made. Graduating with distinction from the McGill Conservatory of Music, Clara Balinsky for many years organized music festivals and other events devoted to the performing arts. Eventually she decided that she was not a good enough pianist to become a genius or a star performer, while she did have considerable talents as an organizer. So now she plays the piano only for pleasure.

She believes that the arts can also be used to convey the message of Israel in general, and, in particular, the need to free Soviet Jewry. For this reason, she helped to set up a Freedom of Expression Commission in Canada, which will sponsor national competitions in music, art, literature and the dance. She hopes that other countries will adopt similar schemes.

One thing that worries many Israelis and friends abroad is the effect of all the revelations of crime, corruption, strikes and similar ills in Israeli life. From the public relations point of view, does she think that these things should be played down in reports abroad, if playing them down is possible, which is doubtful?

"It is very important to tell the truth, the unvarnished truth. Naturally, we are saddened by these bitter developments. But we can't help if we only get half-truths or lies. On the other hand, we must also be told again and again the positive side — what is being done by organizations like Wizo, how Jews and Arabs work side by side, how Israel is fighting her social problems as well as her wars."

CLARA BALINSKY, the newly elected National President of Canadian Hadasah-Wizo, has two great passions, apart from Zionism and her organization — she wants to improve the image of Israel through better public relations, and, a trained pianist, she hopes that the arts can be used to explain Israel's cause to the world.

"Zionism is the greatest cause in the world," she says. "But both the Israelis and we Jews in the Diaspora have made the mistake of assuming that the greatness of a cause is sufficient to interpret its message almost automatically. This is incorrect. We have to explain ourselves over and over again — not only to the non-Jews, but also to the Jews, even to ourselves. To do this we must underline all the time the moral values involved, we must capture people's imagination."

"To be blunt, I think we missed the boat in '67, and again in '73 — we allowed the Arabs to persuade a lot of people in the world that morality is on the side of the Palestinians. There was an erosion of support, even in Canada, a country with a long record of friendship and understanding for Israel. The Canadian Government began to talk of being even-handed, they tried to pay lip service to both sides."

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THE SKIN GAME



WHEN I was English, and lived in the land of perpetual rain, I made do with nothing when it came to skin care. I knew that the non-stop drizzle (or if it stopped, rainwater in the air) would moisturize, cleanse, refresh and generally do everything necessary to keep my skin looking good, naturally (about the only good thing I could find about the British weather).

But now I'm an Israeli, I have to cope with sun, heat, dust, or cold, wind, and dust again. Plus wrinkles under the eyes from screwing them up against the sun.

The first thing one should do upon settling here (it should be written large in all those Jewish Agency hand-outs) is go to a cosmetician for advice. You need only go once, if you're against all that sort of thing. But expert advice, on your particular type of skin and what to do for it in this particular climate (and it varies extraordinarily from Safed to Eilat) is better got from her than from your friends when the damage is already done.

She'll divide your face into separate parts like a map, decide whether it's dry, oily, normal (whatever that is) or combination, and tell you what kind of cream should go where. Then, you can go out and buy the cheapest or most expensive, that part is up to you.

WHATEVER YOUR SKIN TYPE, she will probably recommend moisturizer, as a basic item in your make-up wardrobe. But what is it? Until a few years ago, no one had heard of them. Then, suddenly, all the magazines were talking about

barrier against water loss. The old favourite, used by women long before the advent of moisturizers, is petroleum jelly (vaseline to you and me.) It's one of the most effective and cheapest moisturizers around. Apply it after you wash your face, or, if you're really dry-skinned, after your bath or shower. (Doris Day told "Time" magazine recently that she puts it on all over after her bath, wraps herself in an old nightdress and socks and goes to bed — alone, of course.)

Baby lotion is also a good moisturizer, and for people concerned about the possibility of skin allergies, it is probably the cleanest thing around. From these two, one can work one's way up the price market until one finds the best for one's own skin (and pocket).

Martha Meisels adds:

One of my favourite recent reader's letters testifies that women could get along very well with relatively inexpensive local cosmetics. My correspondent introduced her to Tey's "Deep Moisturising Skin Food" and Shemen's "Night Cream," and she gave up buying expensive big-name brands of these items. She writes: "Since I am now past 70, I do not expect miracles; but my feeling is, after years of using these products, that they are at least as good as all the name brands." Her only complaint is that it is becoming hard to find these simple local products in the perfumery shops, and she has to buy them in supermarkets.

A tradition in bedding branches out

By HELEN ROSSI

A TRADITION dating back to Vienna in 1885 now has a strictly modern address in Jerusalem. The tradition is in bedding, and the name is Gans.

The youngest bearer of this century-old family tradition is Michael Gans, and the new emporium is Gans Mobilia 51 Rehov Herzog (opposite Neve Granot), which is under his direction. The down-town shop, one of the most attractive on Rehov Shimon Hamalka, continues under the direction of his mother Ruth Gans Fleishman and his grandmother Olga Gans, now 80, who helped her husband set up the original Gans Bedding in what is now Rehov Hasoreg in Jerusalem in 1938. Their son was killed in the War of Independence and the company was run by his widow and his mother until Michael joined them in 1967, after completing his studies in business administration.

The Gans tradition started with down quilts and pillows. And, as Mickey Gans says, there is no problem carrying it on in the Jerusalem of today since Israel, as an exporter of goose feathers, is a natural for goose-feathers as well.

Bedding, however, is only part of Gans Mobilia today. They have spread out into furniture and furnishings as well as a complete interior planning service (available at the town shop before the new one was opened). They now have staff interior architects and decorators to help plan, along with 30 salespeople in both shops.

Almost everything at Gans is of local manufacture and it is hard to find a more attractive exhibition of these products anywhere in the country. Built-in kitchens to meet any required size are a new addition. Modulus is the firm they are using. Gans helped develop pinewood fur-

niture made by Blum of Jerusalem. Alpha's highly successful chairs in metal, wood and canvas (they are also exported) are featured, as are some very comfortable living room sofas that have hideaway beds. A three-piece set — sofa and three chairs — comes to over IL10,000, a lot of money, but they are attractive and useful, and you can buy the set piece by piece.

Gans stocks a full line of Nusbaum curtains and upholstery materials. Move sheets and towels and probably the most complete collection in the country of the new Rikma bedspreads and pillows. Maskit rugs are also available and are used as attractive wall decor at Gans Mobilia. Mickey Gans finds Jerusalemites solid customers. They have a large clientele of young people (some are third generation customers now) who thoughtfully plan their purchases to meet their budgets.

The year of the woman bandit in North India

INTERNATIONAL Women's Year 1975 emerged as the year of the women bandits in North India.

They were all trained by their lovers or husbands to shoot, ride a horse or drive a jeep to escape after a burglary or attack on a rich farmer's house. The top bandit, whose name spreads fear among thousands of villagers, was 30-year-old Janak Shri. Police have now caught her with her lover, another gang leader.

Attractive Janak Shri was an ordinary housewife who had quarrelled with her mother-in-law and escaped her husband's house with her jewellery. But she was abducted by a gang leader, who trained her as a sharp-shooter. She killed at least a

dozen women and looted property worth 250,000 (about IL750,000) last year. Her favourite technique was to lure women in small talk, while her gang members would loot the house. Then she would seize jewellery off the women and often torture them to extract information about the wealth of other people. Her good looks helped her wherever she went.

During the year, police had 50 encounters with gang leaders, in which 28 criminals were killed and 35 were arrested. But out of some 200 cases of kidnapping only 18 persons could be rescued, and the number of gang raids jumped by over 1,000. One big problem the police face is

the local loyalty of villagers to some robbers, who operate like Robin Hood. They distribute money to villagers when their daughters are married. Others are helped to buy seeds or fertilizers.

In turn, gangs are given food and shelter by friendly villagers at night.

As one senior police official explained: "Very often it is a matter of family honour for the gang leaders. They are not born bandits, but they become sharpshooters to avenge the death of a father or a brother, who might have been killed in local fights with the police or with another gang. It is this tradition which must be broken." (WFS)



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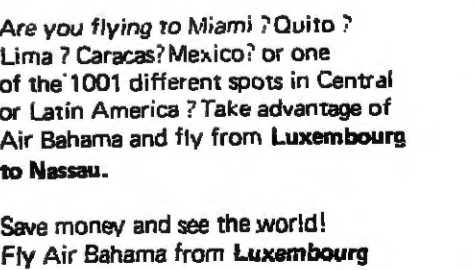
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Other bonds		103,000		88,000				
Shares in subsidiary companies		54,000		18,000				
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Loans and bills discounted, less allowance for bad debts		33,042,000		19,645,000				
		22,806,000		17,667,000				
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Loans from deposits for loans			2,263,000	1,565,000				
Other accounts	3		2,168,000	1,522,000				
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(see contra account)								
Documentary credits		517,000		883,000				
Guarantees		3,662,000		1,314,000				
			4,179,000	2,197,000				
			229,623,000	163,971,000				
Capital reserves and surpluses								
Share capital								
Ordinary IL100 shares		5,000,000		3,500,000				
Bonus shares				5,000				
Reserve fund				4,000,000				
Profit and Loss Account								
Profit balances				236,000				
Capital Notes				7,741,000				
To redemption, Dec. 31, 1975								
Deposits								
Demand deposits		66,614,000		52,522,000				
Time and savings deposits		86,915,000		48,176,000				
Deposits by banks		9,000		18,000				
Special deposit by parent company		37,275,000		31,530,000				
			190,813,000	132,246,000				
Deposit for loans								
Government deposits		21,532,000		16,952,000				
Deposits and loans from the Bank of Israel and other banks		561,000		396,000				
Other deposits		513,000		370,000				
			22,606,000	17,718,000				
Other Accounts			4,284,000	4,377,000				
Liabilities for customers								
(see contra account)								
Documentary credits		517,000		883,000				
Guarantees		3,662,000		1,314,000				
			4,179,000	2,197,000				
			229,623,000	163,971,000				

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Chairman of the Board of Directors —
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Director —
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E. ASHKENAZI

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

	Note:	IL	IL
Ordinary Income			
Interest on loans and bills discounted*		9,218,000	6,219,000
Interest on deposits with Bank of Israel and other banks*		20,747,000	10,046,000
Income from debentures approved for investment*		1,042,000	1,708,000
Income from other securities*		36,000	923,000
Reduction of provision for bad debts, net			185,000
Commissions and other income		3,675,000	1,736,000
Total		34,718,000	20,817,000
Ordinary Expenses			
Interest on deposits, savings and loans*		21,533,000	11,355,000
Interest on capital note		90,000	90,000
Commission		8,000	7,000
Provision for bad debts, net		133,000	
Salaries and related expenses		5,064,000	3,201,000
Occupancy of Bank premises		427,000	286,000
Depreciation and writing down of equipment and other assets		133,000	149,000
Other expenses		2,747,000	1,822,000
Total		29,995,000	16,910,000
Operating profit before taxation		4,723,000	3,907,000
Provision for taxes on operating profit		2,950,000	2,380,000
Net profit before special income		1,773,000	1,517,000
Special Income			
Reduction of write down of investment in subsidiary company		35,000	19,000
Net profit for year		1,808,000	1,536,000
Profit balance at beginning of year		203,000	167,000
Available profit		2,011,000	1,703,000
Allocation of Profits			
Transfer to reserve fund		1,775,000	1,500,000
Balance of profits not allocated		236,000	203,000

* Includes linkage increments.
The notes appended form an integral part of this financial statement.

NOTES

To Financial Statements of the Bank for the year Ending December 31, 1975 (The amounts in the financial statements are rounded to the nearest thousand IL.)

1. Accounting Policy

a. Foreign Currency and Linkage

Assets and liabilities (other than bonds) in foreign currency and those which are linked are entered as follows:

- (1) Assets and liabilities in foreign currency — according to the rates of exchange for the date of the balance sheet. During the year to which the accounts apply, the Israel Government decided on a policy of creeping devaluation of the Israel pound against the US dollar. Following a series of devaluations during the account year, the official rate of exchange on the date of the balance sheet reached \$1=IL7.10 (\$1=IL6 on December 31, 1974).
- (2) Assets and liabilities which are linked to the index of consumer prices or to the index of mortgages subject to a cost-of-living payments are given on the basis of the last index value published before the date of the balance sheet.

Income and expenditure in foreign currency are included in the profit and loss account on the basis of an average weighted exchange rate obtained from the rates in force during the year. The surplus, which is not significant, resulting from the adjustment of income expenditure in accordance with changes in the rates of exchange during the year is included under "other income" in the profit and loss account.

b. Securities

(1) Bonds

Bonds approved for investment are included at cost, plus accrued income. These bonds were acquired as an investment and not for resale. They will be redeemed at their nominal value plus linkage increments and interest. Changes in the market value of these bonds do not affect the results of the Bank's operations, since the manner in which interest and linkage increments accumulate during the years in which the bonds are owned ensures that their value at redemption will be equal to their book value at that time.

Other bonds are entered on the basis of their cost plus accrued income, or according to their quoted value, whichever is lower, each security being considered separately. The value of bonds for which a value is quoted, are entered according to the Stock Exchange quotation.

In the above, "accrued income" means linkage increments and interest that have accrued on the bonds since they were purchased.

(2) Shares in subsidiary companies

Shares in subsidiary companies which do not have a quotation are included at cost or at a value based on their balance-sheet value, whichever is lower.

c. Equipment and other assets

These are included at cost, less accumulated depreciation and write-down. Depreciation is calculated on the basis of an asset's estimated service life.

d. Severance pay

The Bank's liabilities for severance pay are covered by deposits (including accumulated profits and linkage increments) in an approved severance-pay fund, which undertakes to meet severance pay demands. The liabilities, and amounts that have accumulated in the approved severance-pay fund are entered in the "other accounts" section of assets and liabilities. Profits in the account year on the amounts so deposited are included in the profit and loss account under "commission and other income."

e. Subsidiary companies

The Bank has two unimportant subsidiary companies. Accordingly, the Bank's financial statement has not been amalgamated with the financial statements of these subsidiary companies — see Note b (2).

f. Tax on income

Allowance for service tax payable on income has been included under this heading. The allowance for service tax on salaries has been included under "other expenses."

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The Arab Israel Bank Ltd.

SUBSIDIARY OF BANK LEUMI LE ISRAEL B.M.

2. SECURITIES

a. Bonds

	December 31, 1975			December 31, 1974		
	Unquoted IL	Bal. Sh. Val. IL	Quoted Market Val. IL	Unquoted IL	Bal. Sh. Val. IL	Quoted Market Val. IL
Israel Government bonds approved for investment	3,004,000	737,000	827,000	2,484,000	1,192,000	1,289,000
Other Israel Government bonds	—	—	—	6,000	—	—
Others	—	103,000	103,000	—	88,000	88,000
	—	103,000	103,000	6,000	88,000	88,000
	<u>3,004,000</u>	<u>840,000</u>	<u>930,000</u>	<u>2,490,000</u>	<u>1,280,000</u>	<u>1,377,000</u>

The balance sheet entry for unquoted Israel Government bonds approved for investment includes a total of IL1,619,000 (IL1,441,000 in 1974) of Israel Government Compulsory Loan, which is not transferable.

The amount in the balance sheet includes the following accumulated income:

	December 31, 1975 IL	December 31, 1974 IL
Bonds approved for investment	1,555,000	1,571,000
Other bonds	69,000	50,000
	<u>1,624,000</u>	<u>1,621,000</u>

b. Shares in fully-owned subsidiary companies

	December 31, 1975 IL	December 31, 1974 IL
Shares in the Investment Company of the Arab Israel Bank Limited	54,555	19,217
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>54,556</u>	<u>19,218</u>

There is a IL70,000 liability in connection with the purchase of shares in the Investment Company of the Arab Israel Bank Limited, payment for which has not yet been called for.

3. EQUIPMENT AND OTHER ASSETS

This entry covers furniture and equipment, leasing rights, and fixtures and improvements made in rented property.

4. OTHER EXPENSES

This entry includes an amount of IL260,000 (IL110,000 in 1974) for that part of the service tax levied on salaries paid (see Note 1).

5. ALLOWANCE FOR TAX ON PROFITS FROM ORDINARY OPERATIONS

- The allowance for taxes on income includes a sum of IL350,000 (IL190,000 in 1974), this being the part of the service tax paid in respect of income.
- The Bank has received assessment up to and including 1974.

6. PARENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

In the balance sheet entries indicated below, the following balances are included:

Assets

Cash and balances at the Bank of Israel and other banks, including savings-scheme deposits to a total of IL58,300,000 (IL22,672,000 in 1974)
Special deposit at a bank
Loans and bills discounted

Liabilities

Other accounts
Liabilities for customers

December 31, 1975		December 31, 1974	
Bank Leumi Leisrael B.M. (Parent Company)	Subsidiary Companies	Bank Leumi Leisrael B.M. (Parent Company)	Subsidiary Companies
IL	IL	IL	IL
74,071,000	—	46,614,000	—
37,275,000	—	31,530,000	—
—	480,000	—	406,000
424,000	—	365,000	—
758,000	—	1,077,000	—

7. COMMITMENTS

There are commitments connected with fixtures and improvements in rented premises for an amount of IL90,000 (IL150,000 in 1974).

8. STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 107 (5) OF THE COMPANIES ORDER

The allowance made in the Bank's Accounts for December 31, 1974, for losses incurred by one of the Bank's subsidiary companies was reduced in the account year by the profit made by this subsidiary in the account year. The second subsidiary company operates as a trustee for the Bank, and does not earn profits or incur losses.

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS OF THE ARAB ISRAEL BANK LIMITED

We have examined the balance sheet of the Arab Israel Bank Limited for December 31, 1975, and the profit and loss account for the year ending on this date. Our check was made in accordance with accepted auditing practice, and included those checks called for in the Auditors' Regulations (Working Procedures for Auditors) 1973. We adopted such checking procedures as we considered appropriate to the circumstances.

In our opinion, the above financial statements reflect well, in accordance with accepted accounting practice, the trading position of the Bank on December 31, 1975, and the results of the Bank's operations in the year ending on that date.

In compliance with Section 109 of the Companies Order, we confirm that we received all information and clarifications we requested, and that our opinion on the financial reports is based on the information and clarifications we received, and on the result of our examination of the Bank's account books.

Somakh, Chalkin, Cifron and Co.
Auditors

Haifa, January 23, 1976.

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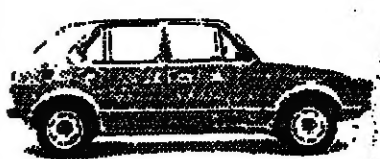
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JORDAN TV (unofficial): 6.15 p.m. Cartoons. 6.30 Barbary Coast. 7.30 Hebrew News. 8 News in Arabic. 8.30 Doctor in the House. 9 War and Peace. 10 News in English. 10.15 International soccer.

Prayer. 6.05 Morning Tunes. 6.55 Gynastics. 7.05 Morning Tunes. 7.15 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zehai's Newswel. 8.05 Requests. 10.05 "Don't Make Waves" with Mavi Pines. 12.05 "Midday Star." 12.30 "A.B.C. of Security." 12.40 "Recommend 12.55 Yosef Lipit's Corner. 1.05 Folk songs with Gila Almagor. 1.55 Announcements. 2 "At Midday." 4.05 "Your Health." 5 Zehai's Newswel. 6.25 Programme Trailer. 6.30 Cinema Magazine. 7.05 "A General's Private" — with Aluf Rakef. Eytan 7.55 Any Event. 8.05 News from the Red Library. 10.05 "Let's Talk" — with Nati Duncovitz. 12.15 Zehai's Newswel. 12.30 "Night Birds." 1.50 Bedside Story. 2.05 Two in the night.

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